and values, reduction of regional imbalances, strengthening of cooperative education and training, professionalisation, ensuring greater participation of members in the management.

Agriculture growth rate

† 2785. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Government's scheme to enhance agriculture growth rate;

(b) whether grants asked for by the Ministry of Agriculture are provided hundred per cent; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The major Schemes implemented by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation in the Tenth Five Year Plan for enhancing agriculture growth rate are:—

1. Macro Management in Agriculture.
2. On-farm Water Management.
3. Technology Mission on Oilseeds and Pulses.
4. Technology Mission on Horticulture Development in North-Eastern States.
5. National Horticulture Board Programmes.
6. Establishment of Agri-clinics.
7. National Agriculture Irsurance Scheme.

(b) and (c) The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation had proposed Rs. 25,002 crores for the Tenth Plan and Rs. 5164 crores for the Annual Plan 2002-03. However, because of resource constraints, the Planning Commission has allocated

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Rs. 13,200 crore for the Tenth Plan and Rs. 2167 crore for Annual Plan 2002-03.

Special fund for agriculture development

† 2786. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to set up a special fund for development of agriculture;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any steps in this direction, so far;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Development of Agriculture Universities

† 2787. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are formulating any scheme for development of agriculture universities of the country and modernisation of education therein;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount proposed to be allocated to each agriculture university for the purpose;

(c) whether any amount had been allocated for development of agriculture universities during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(d) if so, whether this amount was sufficient?

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